# COMMONWEALTH OF KENTUCKY BEFORE THE PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

In the Matter of:

NAVITAS KY NG, LLC's APPLICATION ) CASE NO. 2019-00430 FOR ALTERNATIVE RATE ADJUSTMENT )

## PETITION OF NAVITAS KY NG, LLC FOR CONFIDENTIAL TREATMENT

COMES NOW Navitas KY NG, LLC ("Navitas KY"), by and through undersigned counsel, and hereby submits its Petition for Confidential Treatment pursuant to the March 25, 2020 Commission Staff's Second Request for Information to Navitas KY NG, LLC by the Kentucky Public Service Commission (the "Commission"), pursuant to 807 KAR 5:001, Section 13, and KRS 61.878, requesting the Commission to grant confidential treatment to the Supplemental Filing of the Second Request for Data Responses ("Supplemental Filing") for certain select materials that warrant confidential treatment.

In support of this Petition, Navitas KY states as follows:

#### Notification of Information at Issue

- The Confidential Information in the Supplemental Filing does not include general comments on page 1, the entirety of page 2, the general comments on pages 3, 4 and 5.
- 2. The information Navitas KY seeks to protect as confidential includes the discrete financial information on pages 1, 4 and 5, and is hereinafter referred to as the "Confidential Information". The Confidential Information Navitas KY seeks to protect is the following:

- Volumes, length of term and financial data that makes up the summarized financial proposal in the communication on page 1, including lines 6, 7, 8, 9, 11, 12 of the communication.
- Volumes, length of term and financial data that makes up the financial proposal on page 4, under the section "Financial Proposal", lines 2, 3, 5, 7, 8, 9, 10 and 11.
- Cost calculations on page 5.

## Confidential or Proprietary Commercial Information

- 3. The Kentucky Open Records Act exempts from disclosure certain commercial information. To qualify for the exemption and maintain the confidentiality of the information, a party must establish that the material is of a kind "generally recognized as confidential or proprietary, which if openly disclosed would permit an unfair commercial advantage to competitors of the entity that disclosed the records." The Commission has routinely relied on this section of the Kentucky Records Act to grant confidential protection to third-party documents when disclosure would disadvantage the Company.
- 4. The Confidential Information in the Supplemental Filing consists of financial proposals. If made public, this information would present an unfair advantage to bidders, and it therefore qualifies as

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> KRS 61.878(1)(c).

 $<sup>^{2}</sup>$  Id

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>3</sup> See, e.g., In the Matter of Electronic Application of Kentucky Utilities Company for an Order Authorizing the Issuance of Securities and Assumption of Obligations and an Order Amending and Extending Existing Authority with Respect to Revolving Line of Credit, Case No. 2018-00153, Order (Ky. PSC Aug. 22, 2018)

protectable confidential information pursuant to KRS 61.878(1)(c)(1) and (o).

5. This Confidential Information is not publicly available. It would be difficult or impossible for someone to discover this information from other sources. The disclosure of this proprietary information would result in an unfair competitive advantage to other bidders. No public purpose is served by the disclosure of such Confidential Information.

## Timeframe for Confidential Treatment

6. Pursuant to 807 KAR 5:001, Section 13(2)(a)(2), Navitas KY requests that certain, clearly identified portions of the Supplemental Filing described herein be granted confidential treatment until a contract is awarded on this matter or else the procurement process is canceled without award of a contract and there is a determination that the contract will not be resolicited, pursuant to KRS 61.878(1)(o)(1) and (2), subject to future orders of the Commission, due to the sensitive nature of the information at issue. Should the Commission determine that some or all of the material is not to be given confidential protection, Navitas KY requests a hearing prior to any public release of the information.

WHEREFORE, Navitas KY NG, LLC respectfully requests that the Commission grant confidential protection to the discrete financial information designated as confidential in this Petition, and for such other and further relief the Commission deems appropriate.

One this the 22nd day of April, 2020.

Respectfully submitted,

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### **CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE**

The undersigned hereby certifies that on the day of April, 2020, a true and correct copy of the foregoing instrument was deposited in the United States Mail with postage prepaid, and addressed to the following:

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